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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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Week Ending 10/17/60

WEATHER Temperature averages ranged from near normal in the west to about 6 degrees above normal in the east. Cooler air spread over the west on Monday but the northeast did not receive the lower temperatures until Friday. Saturday was cool over the entire State. Frost and freezing temperatures covered all but the extreme southeast Sunday morning. Temperatures were higher again Sunday afternoon and Monday morning.

Precipitation was scattered Tuesday through Thursday. Rainfall totals of 2/10 inch were common with isolated points in the southern Panhandle, southwest and southeast recording up to one inch.

CROPS Harvest of row crops made fair to good progress, although some sections experienced a few days delay because of wet weather. By the close of the week, approximately 8 percent of the corn had been harvested. About a fourth of the milo and somewhat over two-fifths of the soybeans were combined.

Moisture content of corn and milo remained too high for safe storage. The moisture content of corn was reported averaging 24 percent and milo, 16 percent. A year ago, the content averaged 23 percent for corn and 17 percent for milo. Much of the early harvested grain has been dried artificially. Many producers would welcome a hard freeze to halt vegetative growth in corn and sorghum fields. Yields are quite favorable in early harvested fields in the eastern counties.

Fall seeded grain crops were helped by rainfall last week, especially in the southern Panhandle and the southwestern counties. Northern Panhandle counties and sections of central Nebraska are dry and in need of moisture for fall sown crops. Pasture and range feed registered improvement as a result of the moisture. Eastern pastures have an above average supply of feed this fall with fall growth continuing to supply green feed.

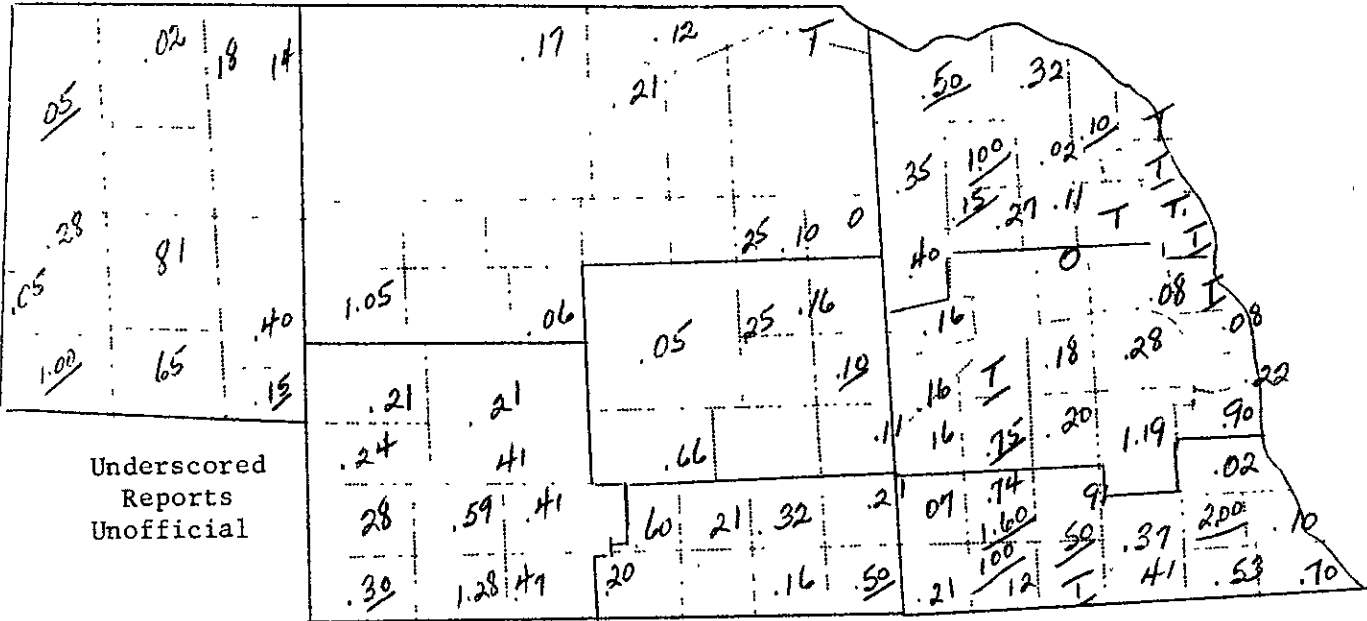
Harvest of beets and potatoes is well advanced.

LIVESTOCK Fall weather has been near ideal for livestock and they are in above average condition for this time of year. The fall movement of cattle and calves from range areas is gaining momentum. September inshipments of cattle and calves were 107,000 head, down 19 percent from a year earlier. Inshipments of feeder lambs were unusually heavy--201,000 head in September 1960 compared with 129,000 in September 1959

WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 17, 1960

<u>East</u>		<u>Central</u>		<u>West</u>	
Grand Island	.11	Burwell	.25	Chadron	.02
Lincoln	1.19	North Platte	.21	Imperial	.21
Norfolk	.27	Valentine	.17	Scottsbluff	.26
Omaha	.08			Sidney	.09
Sioux City	T				

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 14, 1960



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE (Highs for 24 hours ending at 12:01 a.m., and lows for 12 hours ending at 6:00 a.m. CST)

		Oct. 11th		12th		13th		14th		15th		16th		17th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	62	36	73	44	68	44	67	41	39	31	57	23	70	29
	Scottsbluff	64	38	73	40	66	45	67	40	43	33	53	30	62	32
	Sidney	67	43	71	45	65	45	66	39	46	35	51	30	62	36
NC	Burwell	81	47	85	52	73	38	74	39	60	32	63	27	73	--
	Valentine	67	44	84	51	69	42	71	43	52	34	57	30	71	36
NE	Norfolk	81	54	86	58	73	43	74	46	64	45	62	31	71	37
	Sioux City	82	58	88	62	75	48	78	50	70	46	66	33	72	41
CEN	Grand Island	81	56	86	58	74	44	70	41	64	46	59	33	70	40
	Lincoln	81	60	86	64	76	60	68	54	67	49	60	39	69	46
	Omaha	78	58	83	65	73	60	66	54	68	44	63	37	67	45
SW	Imperial	80	56	81	49	72	38	65	40	53	37	54	32	66	39
	North Platte	78	48	79	56	72	34	69	41	54	41	60	28	69	33

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